

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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DOCKET NO. 2011-406-C

Docket Summary: Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T South Carolina to Withdraw Funds from the State Universal Service Fund to Support Stand-Alone Basic Residential Lines Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-576 (C)(9)(c).

BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T South Carolina (AT&T South Carolina or the Company) has filed a Petition with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) to withdraw funds from the South Carolina Universal Service Fund to support stand-alone basic residential lines. The Petition was filed pursuant to South Carolina Code Ann. Section 58-9-576 (C). AT&T South Carolina currently serves 22,907 stand-alone basic residential lines that were in service as of the date of AT&T South Carolina's election to operate pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-576 (C). AT&T South Carolina has petitioned the Commission to withdraw \$1,112,111 – an average of approximately \$4.05 per line per month – from the State USF during the 2012 calendar year to support its provision of these lines. According to the Company, as of October 1, 2011, AT&T South Carolina is entitled to continue withdrawing from the State USF amounts needed to fund the state Lifeline match necessary to ensure that low-income persons enrolled in the Lifeline program receive the maximum federally-funded Lifeline amounts available.

A copy of the Company's application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2011-406-C. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the Company's representative Patrick W. Turner, Esquire, 1600 Williams Street, Suite 5200, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Thursday, January 19, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **November 7, 2011**, and indicate the amount of time required to address the Commission. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2011-406-C.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the Company's representative at the above address, on or before **November 7, 2011**, and indicate the amount of time required to address the Commission. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2011-406-C.***

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Commission, in writing, at the address below on or before **November 7, 2011**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2011-406-C.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.

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